to maintain uninterrupted supply of petroleum products in all the places in the country at reasonable prices in the deregulated scenario, is on.

Special Concession to Kargil Martyrs

†1630. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether petrol pumps and gas agencies have been allotted to all the dependents of the martyrs/soldiers of Kargil war;

(b) if not, what are the reasons for delay in this regard;

(c) by when, all the dependents of martyrs/soldiers of Kargil war would be allotted petrol pumps and gas agencies; and

(d) whether special concession has been given by Government in allotting petrol pumps and gas agencies to the dependents of martyrs/ soldiers of Kargil war?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) to (d) Allotment of retail outlet dealerships/LPG distributorships is made under the Special Scheme to widows/next of kin of Defence personnel killed in action in OP Vijay (Kargil) on the recommendations of the Directorate General Resettlement (DGR), Ministry of Defence. So far, recommendations in respect of 455 cases have been received from the DGR, out of which allotment of dealerships/distributorships to 429 beneficiaries has been approved by the Government.

Under the Special Scheme, the retail outlets/LPG distributorships are constructed by the Oil Companies at their expense and then are allotted to the beneficiaries for operation.

Delay in allotment of agencies to Kargil Martyrs

†1631. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of the members of Kargil martyrs' family who applied for the petrol/diesel/gas agencies by 15th November, 2001 alongwith the number out of those allotted with the said agencies; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) by when the allotments are likely to be made to the remaining persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) Allotment of retail outlet dealerships/LPG distributorships is made under the Special Scheme to widows/next of kin of Defence personnel killed in action in OP Vijay (Kargil) on the recommendations of the Directorate General Resettlement (DGR), Ministry of Defence. So far, recommendations in respect of 455 cases have been received from the DGR, out of which allotment of dealerships/ distributorships to 429 beneficiaries has been approved by the Government.

Fire at CNG stations in Delhi

1632. PROF. (SHRIMATI) BHARATI RAY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a spurt in the incidents of fire at CNG filling stations in Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of cases reported during the last six months;

(c) whether the spare parts of the CNG compressor are imported from Singapore with the result that compressor remains non-functional for at least 15 days and the supply of gas is also affected; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to make the availability of spare parts in India on demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) No Madam.

(b) Two cases have been reported during the past 6 months one on 21.08.2001 and the other on 14.10.2001.

(c) Spares in respect of Galileo Compressors only are procured from Singapore, as the original equipment manufacturer located in the USA has its dealer based in Singapore. Similarly, spares for other type of compressors are procured from the country of their origin only. The spare parts of imported equipments are procured along with the package as well as imported for subsequent use in the equipment. The procurement is made in advance to attend to the schedule and break down maintenance of the machines so that the machine is put back to operation in the shortest possible time and the CNG supply is not affected for longer duration.